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Dear Dick,

It is easy to find what you are looking for if you insist on reading what is not there into what you see. I have checked your reference to Lane. It is utterly destructive of anyb possibility these men could have had any involvement, completely independently of anything else, for that train was passing through and Bowers stopped it! It is also clear he stopped it after the assassination.

I think you are trying too hard to prove something without putting in the requisite effort to see if it is possible. It can be dangerous and, if you use it, it might be ruinous to your reputation and hurt all of us. Before you try and prove who these men were and what they were up to, you have to show there was a possibility of some kind of guilty involvement. That seems now to be impossible.

Bowers told Lane, or at least Lane said he did (and it you were in a position to make a thorough analysis you'd know these two are not always identical) that he stopped the train opposite his tower. In saying this there is nothing to preclude the possibility of the train extending far past the Terminal Annex P.O.

On Hepburn pretty much the same is true. It says what you want to believe, therefore you begin willing to believe it, especially with all the crap im put out. You'll not finding him saying the same think today. The real immediate danger is that that operation can cause a mistrial. If you can reach Lensky, please ask him to give me all the detail on all the people with whom he was in contact, complete descriptions, and as rapidly as possible. If he is as certain as you say these people are okay, he should be willing for them to be scrutinized. Ask youself, suppose I am right (and you cannot have a wide grasp of the material and have any doubts).

Hurriedly

Harold Weisberg